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#### Hardee's officials close 1 restaurant

Officials from Hardee's closed the Wayne restaurant on Michigan Avenue May 31 because of poor sales, according to city officials.

The Hardee's restaurants on Cherry Hill and Inkster roads are not closing which was reported earlier in *The Associated Newspapers*.

#### Man stopped from jumping off ledge

Wayne police officers and the Wayne County Special Operations Team joined forces June 9 to prevent a 23-year-old Wayne man from jumping off the sixth floor of Westchester Towers Apartments.

Before the WCSOT arrived at the scene, Wayne police made contact with the individual by telephone, trying to coax him not to jump, according to Wayne Deputy Director John Colligan.

"Members of the Special Operations Team actually repelled from the roof and entered the window of the resident while Wayne police officers were talking to him," Colligan said. "I can't say enough about the coordinated efforts between the Wayne Police Department and the Wayne County Special Operations Team."

The Wayne man was transported to Annapolis Hospital. He is receiving medical care.

#### Man robbed in Perry parking lot

A truck driver was allegedly robbed while passing through the Wayne community 11:15 a.m. June 7 after stopping at Perry Drug Store on Michigan Avenue.

The male driver told police a black man about 5-0 and 160 pounds approached him in the Perry parking lot with a hand gun, and allegedly forced the driver to get in his truck and give the suspect all his money. The suspect then told the man to drive him eastbound on Michigan Avenue to Beach Daily.

Once the truck driver reached the destination, the suspect fled on foot in an unknown direction.

Police are still investigating the incident. Anyone with information should call the Wayne Police Department at 721-1414.

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## President seeks to file for dismissal

Attorneys for David J. Willett, president of *Associated Newspapers, Inc.*, are expected to petition this week for dismissal of a complaint filed in federal court Thursday, charging the Westland resident with bank fraud.

Willett, 48, has denied the allegations which were described by a U.S. Department of Justice spokesman as "check kiting." According to an agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, check kiting is a scheme whereby "two or more bank accounts are used to make deposits from one account to the other to create positive balances which are not supported by actual funds in the accounts."

Willett voluntarily appeared in federal court Thursday for official recognition of the complaint. Stephen Markman, U.S. district attorney said, "A complaint is only a charge and is not evidence of guilt. Trial cannot be held on felony charges in a complaint. When the investigation is completed a determination will be made whether to seek a felony indictment."

Willett was not asked for a plea at his appearance Thursday.

FBI agents executed a search warrant Tuesday and seized records and financial documents concerning both

*The Associated Newspapers and Eagle Graphics Corp.*, which Willett also owns.

"I never wrote a check I could not and did not cover and no bank or lending institution ever suffered a loss as is suggested," Willett said. "I was not asked for a plea in this situation, but if I had been, it certainly would have been 'not guilty,'" Willett said.

Ray Reame, president of First of America Bank in Wayne, one of the two lending institutions named in the allegations, refused any comment on Willett's dealings with the bank.

"We, at First of America, would never comment on any customer's dealings or accounts here," he said. Reame said First of America never filed any complaint whatsoever with any law enforcement agency with regard to Willett or the corporate accounts. Willett's corporate accounts remain with the bank and are open and functional.

"The Associated banking account records were seized under a federal warrant several months ago," Reame said. He noted this was consistent with the bank policy of absolute

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David J. Willett



## Rodeo to highlight July Sumpter Fest

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER  
Belleville City Editor

Go west, young men and women!

At least as far as western Wayne County where a professional rodeo is slated to perform at the annual Sumpter Country Fest July 19 and 20.

Rodeo is a true American sport, springing from the unique occupation of the American cowboy. Although many cowboys still come from traditional ranch or farm backgrounds, many of the competitors of today started in youth or high school rodeos.

The ultimate goal for any rodeo competitor is to win a world championship. The International Pro Rodeo Association, which sanctions the Sumpter event, names world champions in seven events: bareback bronco riding, saddle bronco riding, bull riding, cowgirls' barrel racing, steer wrestling, calf roping and team roping. These world titles are sought-after and hard-earned, but the title of World Champion All-Around Cowboy is the most prestigious title that a rodeo competitor can win. To win this coveted award, the cowboy must excel in more than one event, according to the IPRA.

In addition to the professional cowboys and cowgirls performing in the Sumpter Country Fest, one of the foremost rodeo clowns, John Hayden, will be featured.

Hayden, who is known in rodeo circles as The Mayor of Poverty Flats, has been in-

involved in the rodeo for more than 25 years.

"There are a lot of good bullfighters now, a lot of them much younger than I," said Hayden, who was a bullfighting clown until eight years ago. "Now I've got the chance to just make people laugh."

Hayden, 47, hit the rodeo trail when he was 16 and spent four years competing in the bareback bronco and bull riding events before he decided to try clowning.

"I've always had the ability to make people laugh. It just got to the point where I spent more time clowning around than I did paying attention to the bulls," Hayden said. "Once in Alabama a guy told me the bull I had drawn was easy, anyone could ride him. They opened the gate and I fell off, and that was it. I never even picked up my bull rope."

In the early years, Hayden worked some amateur rodeos than moved on to professional rodeo associations. His own acts include a comic mule, a barrel-racing dog, a Grand Ole Opry act, a sharp-shooting act, a trick horse and his newest addition, the 6-foot Quick-In Chick-In.

Making people laugh is what Hayden feels is his job. If he can make the audience happy, then everyone involved in the rodeo is happy.

"People don't have any idea what rodeos really involve," said Hayden, who rarely passes up an opportunity to give an interview to the press or visit with a rodeo spectator.



### Ripe for the picking

Diana Edmondson of Huron Township picked strawberries recently at Birds Berry Farm in Romulus. Strawberry lovers will get their fill of strawberries at the Belleville Strawberry Festival, which runs all day Sunday. ANP photo by Deanne L. DeYonker/staff photographer

## Lack of funding may derail Nankin Transit

By TOM MOORADIAN  
ANP Staff Writer

Nankin Transit Authority buses may remain parked in their garages for good, if NTA affiliate cities don't find funding soon.

One of the major sources of funding - the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation - can no longer subsidize NTA, SMART officials announced Friday.

The NTA, organized in 1974, provides transportation services for senior citizens, the handicapped, mentally disabled and the indigent of Inkster, Wayne, Westland, Garden City and Canton Township. It will lose about one-third of its \$850,000 annual budget from SMART.

The annual contribution of SMART to the local transit system is about \$375,000, NTA officials said.

"SMART is asking us to contribute about \$30,000 more to the operation," said Inkster Councilman James Colleran, the liaison officer to NTA from Inkster. "We just don't have that kind of money in our budget. They leave us no alternative but to withdraw from the authority."

At the June 3 Inkster council meeting, Colleran asked the city administration to prepare documents that would enable Inkster to withdraw from the NTA.

Albert Martin, general manager of the

Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation, pointed out SMART could no longer afford to subsidize Nankin Transit.

"We have been contributing dollars from our general fund to the operation of Nankin Transit," Martin said. "Because of increased expenses, we are no longer able to subsidize Nankin Transit."

Nankin must now be treated the same as other local transit systems throughout the region, he added.

Charles Hunter, who has served as NTA director for 16 years, estimated NTA buses serviced about 9,500 customers a month for the first six months of this year, "and it would be terrible to abandon these people. We have survived some lean times in the past, like in 1983 when federal monies dried up. And I understand state money is doing likewise, however, I can't see abandoning these people."

Wayne City Manager Tom Daly was surprised to learn NTA services were in jeopardy.

"This is the first I have heard about this," Daly said. "And I am going to have to wait until I get more information on this. It's premature for me to comment at this time."

Wayne Councilman Thomas H. Kelly,

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## Commissioner sees void

By TOM MOORADIAN  
ANP Staff Writer

Wayne County Commissioner Kay Beard (D-12th district) Friday called the possible dismantling of the Nankin Transit Authority a "great tragedy."

Beard, whose district includes three of the NTA member cities - Garden City, Inkster and Westland - said the NTA is needed in the community and would be sorely missed if it was dismantled because of what could turn out to be a lack of funds.

"The NTA has provided the area with a valuable service, transporting our seniors and handicapped all of these years," Beard said. "It would be a tragedy if this service was discontinued."

"I don't think SMART (Suburban Mobility Authority for



Kay Beard

Regional Transportation) can fill the void. If (NTA) is dismantled, many of these people will have no one to turn to."

Beard pointed out the local senior citizen population continues to grow and there will be an increased need for services, like those provided by Nankin Transit, in the years to come.

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## OBITUARIES

### Teall, Ralph L.

Ralph L. Teall, 57, of Westland, died May 26, 1991. He is survived by his wife, Jacqueline; children, Susan Marie Geoldbach (Joseph) and Nancy Theresa Teall; siblings, Eugene, Norbert, Richard and Robert; and two grandchildren. Funeral services were at Lents Funeral Home. Burial was at Denton Cemetery.

### O'Brien, Colin P.

Colin P. O'Brien, infant son of Daniel and Cynthia O'Brien, died June 4, 1991, at University Hospital in Ann Arbor. He is survived by his parents and grandfather, Vincent Beale of Blarsville, Ga. Funeral services were at St. Anthony Catholic Church in Belleville with Father Darin T. Robert officiating. Burial was at Holy Sepulchre in Southfield.

### Snyder, Clara L.

Clara L. Snyder, 74, of Westland died May 27, 1991, in Florida. She is survived by her siblings, Olen Green, Harriet Hall and Hazel Russell. Funeral services were at Lents Funeral Home and St. Mary's Church with Father Paul Panaretos officiating. Burial was at Michigan Memorial Park.

### Racicot, Richard

Richard Racicot, 57, of Westland died June 4, 1991. He is survived by his fiancée, Carol Bishop; children, Mark, Craig, Toni, Richard and Arthur; siblings, Arlyle Canfield, Raymond Racicot and June Racicot; and five grandchildren. Cremation rites were accorded.

### Gouge, Minnie Bell

Minnie Bell Gouge, 70, of Westland died June 7, 1991. She is survived by her husband, Carl W.; mother, Leticia Ann Malaney; grandchildren, Kimberly Carla Colay and Gary Mark Malaney; and siblings, Charlie, Maggie, Nell and Edna. Funeral services were at Uht Funeral Home with the Rev. Gene Lynn Gouge officiating. Burial was at Parkview Memorial Cemetery.

### Law, James Allen

James Allen Law, 57, of Wayne died June 4, 1991, at Harper Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Ann; children, Michael (Connie), William (Malinda), Jeanne, Carol and Gerald Law; step mother, Evelyn Law; siblings, Thomas, Terry and Bonnie Hoot; step sister, Susanne; and four grandchildren. He was an employee of Wayne. Funeral services were at Lents Funeral Home the Rev. Robert Millar officiating. Burial was at Glenwood Cemetery.

### Taube, Carl A.

Carl A. Taube, 85, of Westland died May 27, 1991, at Veterans Hospital in Ann Arbor. He is survived by his wife, Hazel; and siblings, Hilding, Richard, Ernest, William, Ester Yarberry and Blanche Brow. He was preceded in death by three sisters, three brothers and his parents. Funeral services were at Lents Funeral Home with the Rev. Weldon Spracklen officiating. Burial was at Lakeside Cemetery in Hancock, Mich.

### Mack, Michele M.

Michele M. Mack, 47, of Canton Township died June 3, 1991. She is survived by her siblings, Walter J. Mack III, Janice McGraw and Judith Krisko. She was preceded in death by her parents, Walter and Virginia Mack. Funeral services were at Sts. Simon and Jude Catholic Church in Westland with Father Gerard Bechard officiating. Cremation rites were accorded.

### Rockwell, Dale

Dale Rockwell, 83, formerly of Wayne, died June 2, 1991, at Florida Hospital in Orlando, Fla. He is survived by his wife, Lucille; son, Delvyn; daughter, Gayle Lucille Whiting; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Funeral services were at the Mausoleum Hillcrest Memorial Gardens in Fort Pierce, Fla.

### Martin, Karen Lee

Karen Lee Martin, 46, of Wayne, formerly of Dearborn Heights, died June 1, 1991, at home. She is survived by her children, Sgt. Adison Roe Martin III USAF (Sandra), Deanna Jeanne Martin and Heather Joy Roark (James); mother, Mildred Wowlow; and four grandchildren. She was employed at Target Stores as an area manager. Funeral services were at Lents Funeral Home with Mr. Dudley Griffin officiating.

### Leckemby, Ronald

Ronald P. Leckemby, 61, of Belleville died May 19, 1991. He was preceded in death by his wife, Helen. He is survived by his children, Helen E. (Gerald) Johnson Leckemby, John, Laura (Anthony) Blevins, Lisa (Robert) Kendall, Ronald, Eric, Morgan (Bill) Clearwood and Rachel Leckemby; and eight grandchildren. Funeral services were at Lents Funeral Home and Sts. Simon and Jude Church.

### DeCormier, Marjorie A.

Marjorie A. DeCormier, 71, of Westland died June 3, 1991. She was preceded in death by her husband, Leonard DeCormier. She is survived by her sons, Leonard, Michael, Dennis and Jerome; daughters, Jennifer Baker and Valerie Lindner; siblings, Doris Wackerle, David Kelley and George Kelley; 15 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Cremation rites were accorded.

### Kalinowski, Frank

Frank A. Kalinowski, 66, of Wayne died June 5, 1991. He is survived by his wife, Anna; sons, Kenneth and John; siblings, Helen Zuczek and Joseph; and four grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his brother, Stanley. Cremation rites were accorded with Sister Patricia Hergenroether officiating.

### Halbritter, Donald

Donald E. Halbritter, 56, of Romulus died May 30, 1991, at Annapolis Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Marie; children, Linda (Jessie) Redding, Kathy (Brian) Phillips and Donald; mother, Dorothy; siblings, Jan Ravens and Sue Ralston; and six grandchildren. Funeral services were at Lents Funeral Home with James Patterson officiating. Burial was at Michigan Memorial Park.

### Eckert, Reba June

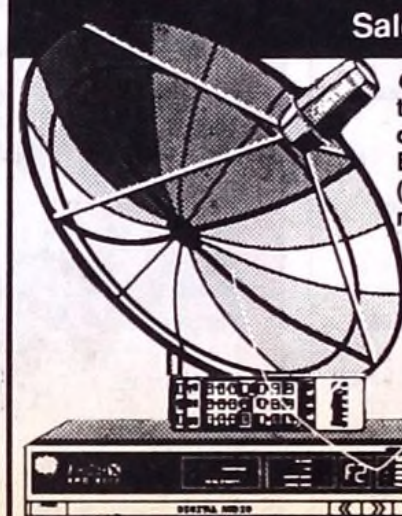
Reba June Eckert, 58, of Wayne died May 25, 1991. She is survived by her husband, Don R.; children, Robert D. and Cynthia Lynn Patrick; siblings, Betty Jewel Mathis, Dr. Jerry Chandler and Ron Chandler; and grandchildren, Ryan and Justin. She was employed in the Wayne-Westland schools. Funeral services were at Lents Funeral Home with Bruce Harris officiating. Burial was at Glenwood Cemetery.

### Meyers, Henry A.

Funeral services were conducted at 1 p.m. June 11 at Community United Methodist Church for Henry A. Meyers, 70, who died June 7 at his Romulus Home. Mr. Meyers, a former machine operator at Lear-Seigler Co., was also active with the Boy Scouts before his retirement. He is survived by his wife, Ruth; sons, Howard J. Meyers of Livonia and Glenn W. Meyers of Dearborn; a daughter, Esther Schaub of Taylor; sisters, Martha Lavey of Pinckney, Mich., Joy Lamberson of Romulus and Gloria Omori of Arlington Heights, Ill., and five grandchildren. Mr. Meyers was preceded in death by his son, Henry Allen. The Rev. J. D. Landis officiated at the funeral service and interment was in Romulus Cemetery. Memorial tributes can be made to Community United Methodist Church.

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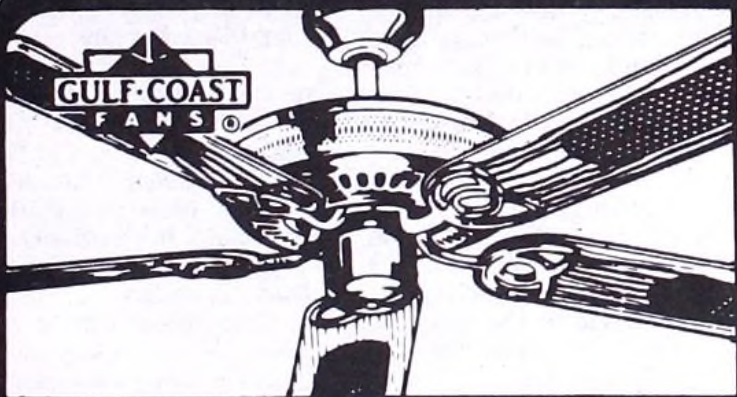
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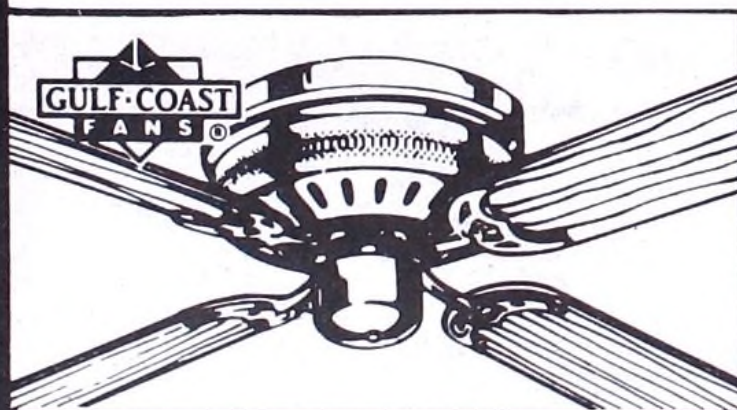
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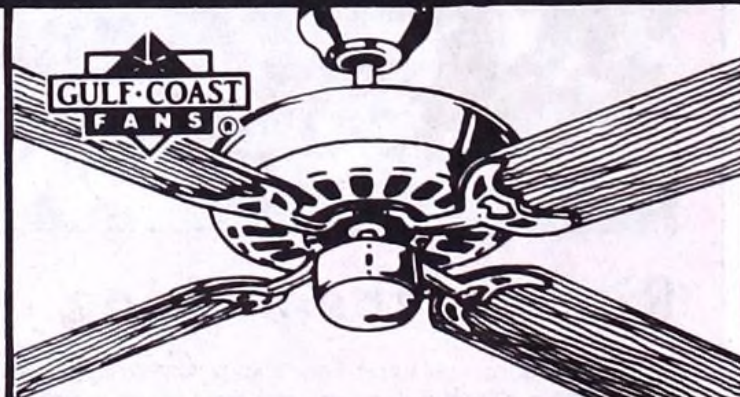
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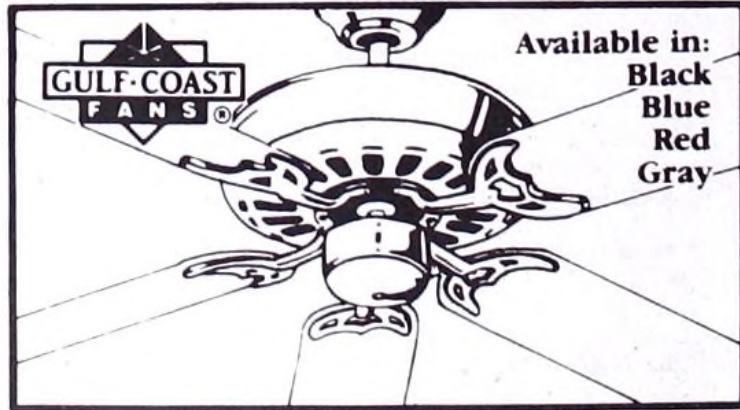
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# Sunday Sunday Sunday

## 'Misconception' Small lakes are also dangerous

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER  
Belleville City Editor

Ironically, two individuals drowned in Belleville Lake during the period designated as Safe Boating Week.

A 73-year-old Romulus man, who was fishing from an 8-foot raft, drowned June 2, and a 15-year-old Inkster boy drowned June 9 while attempting to swim across the lake.

"Boaters may have a misconception that Belleville Lake is a safe lake because it is relatively small, but they need to remember that all water is potentially dangerous," Van Buren Township marine officer Phil Wakeford said. "Parts of the lake are very shallow, but it is 30- to 40-foot deep in areas. Some people are unaware that the lake was created from the Huron River, and that there is a strong current where the original river bed was."

The marine officer believes common sense and caution could prevent many of the accidents, injuries and deaths that occur on Michigan lakes each season.

"Traffic on Belleville Lake is very busy, especially on the weekends, and boaters need to be alert as to what other crafts are doing, in addition, to obeying the safety rules themselves," Wakeford said.

Wakeford and three other marine officers regularly patrol the 6-mile-long lake in a township marine craft. The lake is also patrolled by the Wayne County Sheriff's Department marine unit.

"I enjoy the lake patrol, but it certainly isn't enjoyable when there is a tragedy on the lake," said Wakeford, a five-year veteran of the township police force. "People start out wanting to have a good time on the water, but their good time can

quickly turn to sorrow if they don't obey safety rules."

Wakeford routinely observes boaters who are driving recklessly without adequate flotation devices for each passenger. In addition, he often observes people standing up in the boats or exceeding the weight limit or the number of allowable passengers.

"It is very dangerous to stand up while a boat is in operation. A wave from another vessel could cause passengers to lose their footing or even fall overboard," Wakeford said. "Also, boaters should have adequate mirrors and a spotter when they are pulling skiers or tubers, so they can keep them in sight and stop if they are in trouble."

Wakeford said alcohol misuse also is often a cause of accidents on the water.

"We find when we investi-



Like most small lakes, Belleville Lake appears to be fairly safe. Marine officials say otherwise, however. The lake has been the site of two recent deaths. ANP special photo

gate many boating accidents, there is alcohol misuse by some person involved in the incident," Wakeford said. "Neither of the two drownings this

year had an alcohol-related cause, however."

Boaters who are not sure their craft meets safety standards may request an inspection from the township marine officers or the county patrol. Boats which pass the inspection are given stickers to indicate that they are safe.

## Driver celebrates her work

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER  
Belleville City Editor

Darla Dennen doesn't have a magic wand, but she can make dreams come true.

A driver for Dan's Limousine Service of Inkster, Dennen whisks her passengers in grand style to celebrate their weddings, anniversaries, birthdays and prom nights.

"I think it's everyone's dream to ride in a limousine. When I see the happy looks on the passengers' faces, I know I've helped to make their dreams come true," Dennen said. "I know it's always been my dream. In fact, I never rode in a limousine before I started working here. I had my first limo ride when my boss took me to lunch on Secretary's Day."

Dennen took a job as a Jill-of-all-trades for Dan's Glass four months ago. She worked as a receptionist and order clerk until one day, about seven weeks ago, there was a call for a limo and no one available to drive it.

"I was a bit nervous, but I had driven a big mobile cafeteria - almost a restaurant on wheels - for two-and-one-half years, and I didn't think a limo would be any harder to drive," Dennen said. "My first day on the job also was my birthday, and the folks who rented the limousine invited me to join their celebration."

Some of Dennen's recent assignments have been driving high school students to proms.

"One group of six went out to dinner after the prom and then wanted to drive around. In fact,



Darla Dennen

they just wanted to drive up and down Telegraph Road to see some old cars that were on the lots. Later, they had me drive to the homes of some of their friends so they could say 'hi' and show off the limousine," Dennen said. "When another group of kids went to a prom, their parents used the limo during the three hours of the dance. They really got their money's worth out of the limo."

Although most chauffeurs are men, Dennen occasionally sees other women behind the wheel of limousines, including another woman who works for Dan's Limousine Service.

"While the limo drivers are waiting at proms or concerts, we usually all gather around at one spot and talk. Everyone is interested in the special accessories in each other's limos," Dennen said. "And, of course,

we compare notes about the places we've been and the people we've met."

The drivers' common problem is where to find an appropriate restroom during their breaks, Dennen said.

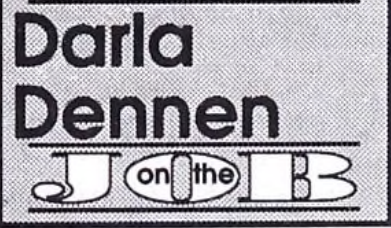
Dennen's recent trips have taken her to the Detroit Yacht Club, the Roostertail Catering Club, the Omni Hotel and Belle Isle as well as many destinations in western Wayne County.

The lone unpleasant experience she has had during her driving was when a fight broke out between students from two rival high school groups staging a prom at the same site.

"I don't think it was a good idea for the hotel to book rival schools on the same night. None of my passengers were involved in the fight, and I got my people out quickly. Nothing happened to us, but it was kind of scary for a few minutes. After all, I didn't want my passengers or the limo to get in the way of a fight," Dennen said.

"Driving a limo is lots of fun. People are all different and the assignments are all different. I never get bored."

"Thursdays through Sun-



days are the busiest days of the week for us. We have trips to the airport and business trips during the day, but the majority of the business is in the nighttime hours. Lately, we've had ninth-graders and even younger children renting the limousine to celebrate the end of school or other special occasions."

Dennen said the passengers are fascinated with the bar, television set, video cassette recorder and moon roof in the limousine she drives. They also are awed by the tuxedo-clad driver opening the limo door for them or holding an umbrella for them in rainy weather.

"We try to make everything perfect. After all, the limousine ride is a dream-come-true for them, and we want everything to be just right," Dennen said.

## School teachers expected to return

By PATRICIA BROWN  
ANP Staff Writer

Teachers on lay-off last month are slated to be called back if Wayne-Westland school board members vote to approve the recall Monday night at a special school board meeting.

More than 70 teachers, who have been on lay-off for more than a year, are expected to receive notice later next week, according to Thomas Svitkovich, associate superintendent of schools.

More than 50 teachers will still remain on the lay-off list, but their status could change as the district receives notice from recalled teachers, concerning their decisions to return.

Many of the teachers have taken jobs with other school districts and aren't expected to return, according to school officials.

Over the next few months, Bill Taylor, associate superintendent of employee services, and union chief Bill Reece will meet to update the recall list as positions open throughout the district.

Also slated for recall are about 35 bus drivers, seven custodians and one secretary.

The recall is necessary for the district to avoid having to pay unemployment benefits to employees slated for lay-offs.

District officials and current school board members promised to reinstate all program cuts implemented this year, and eliminate all program cuts slated for next fall, if the millage election was successful.

About 25 percent of the district's voters turned out at the polls last Monday to vote for three school board members and to decide on a 7.75-millage increase.

More than 8,000 voters approved the increase, which will cost the average household \$93 after the Homestead Tax rebate.

More than 70 teachers, who have been on lay-off for more than a year, are expected to receive notice later next week.

If the increase hadn't been approved, district officials were ready to eliminate all bus-ing for students in kindergarten through 12th grade, all extra curricular activities, athletics, one hour from the high school day other program cuts book and school supplies.

School board members had promised to buy a new reading series for the district, if the millage was successful.

The day following the millage passage of the millage, they bought a new reading series from Houghton Mifflin. The old series was outdated and had been used for the past 13 years.

The books cost about \$600,000 and were bought at a 40-percent savings, according to Jim Edwards, executive director of elementary education.

Edwards attributed the savings to tough negotiations.

Save Our Schools student leader Dom DeBrincat said it is terrible students had to become more appreciative, after spending a year without programs and having to pay for programs, but he said most of the people he knows do feel that way.

DeBrincat, who is the new drum major for the John Glenn High School marching band, and the editor of the John Glenn Echo, the student paper, said the marching band is expected to grow in size now that students don't have to pay the \$240 pay-to-play fee.

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## 2 gunmen rob area supermarket Friday

By TOM MOORADIAN  
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Two gunmen held up the manager of an area supermarket early Friday morning and escaped with an undetermined amount of the cash.

No one was reported hurt.

The two robbers, dressed in what appeared to be recently bought jogging suits, walked into Danny's Supermarket, 26430 Michigan Ave., Inkster, about 7:30 a.m. and quickly moved toward the manager's office as about 10 patrons were busy doing their shopping.

One of the robbers leaped over a railing to get to the office, and, as he did, he dropped his weapon. Before the manager got to it, the subject

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retrieved the gun. The gunman then stuck the weapon into Store Manager Jeff Slater's ribs and ordered him into the office where he told him to open the safe, according to Inkster detective Greg May.

As one of the robbers rifled the safe, taking all of the cash receipts, the other told Slater

and the rest of the witnesses to go to the rear of the building and to stay there.

The two men then ran out of the store and escaped on foot. They disappeared in an alley behind the building, and were last seen running east.

May believes the subjects may have been the same men

who held up the supermarket in April.

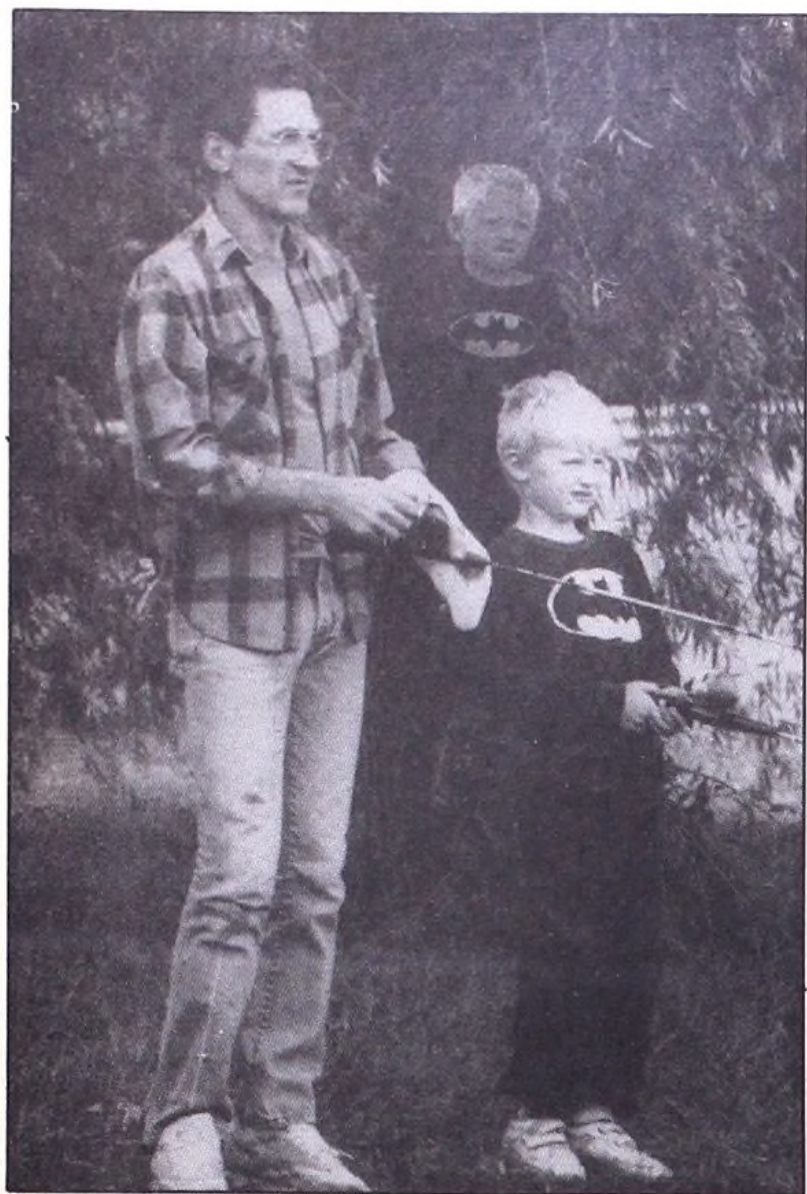
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May also said no getaway car had been seen.

Witnesses described the gunmen as "clean cut." One of the suspects had on a lime green jogging suit and stood about 6-4. The second suspect, about 5-8, wore a shining black jogging suit with a stripe down the sweat pants.

Anyone with information about the subjects is urged to contact May at 563-9856.





## Tom Molesky, Westland

Tom Molesky of Westland loves and appreciates all four of his children, but recalls his fondest memories with his children as youngsters, making "little surprises." Molesky's children include: Jeff, 19; Kim, 17; Steve, 7; and Kevin, 5.

"I love the thought that goes into home-made gifts made by a child," said Molesky, a Ford auto repairman. "Each one is unique and special."

Molesky's most memorable Father's Day was last year. He recalled his son, Jeff, coming home from work close to midnight and asking his mother when Father's Day was. Upon

hearing her answer, he proceeded to an all-night store to get a gift. Unfortunately, on the way, he totaled his father's car.

"He called and said Happy Father's Day dad, I'm fine but your car is totaled," Molesky said. "That was definitely a day to remember."

"I think the key to being a good parent is to really listen to what your children have to say and to try and teach them to learn from your mistakes before they can make mistakes of their own. There's nothing like watching your child grow into a responsible adult."

## Jimmie Raspberry, Romulus

Romulus Councilman Jimmie Raspberry will never forget the day when his first child, Caroline, was born.

Raspberry has five children: Rose, Brenda, Carolyn, Rosalynn and Kenneth. His son, Jimmie Jr., died when he was a child.

"You always remember the birth of your first child," Raspberry said. "I'm just proud of the fact that they all finished school."

Raspberry also remembers when his son, Kenneth, came home from Vietnam.

"I'm just glad they all stayed out of trouble," Raspberry said. "Some are still living in Romulus. I really enjoy my children."

## Gary Sampson, Belleville

Father's Day this year will be extra special for Gary Sampson, because his son will be coming home on leave from the service Sunday.

"Trace has just completed advanced training at Fort Benjamin Harrison in Indiana. Prior to that he was based at Fort Knox, Ky.," Sampson said. "He hasn't been home for six months, so this will be a special day for us."

Trace, 24, earned his unusual nickname for being a "trace of his dad." He is slated to go to Panama with his Armed Forces Radio duties, and, perhaps, start a "Good Morning, Panama" show.

Joining in the Belleville celebration will be Gary's wife, Anne, and his daughter, Anne.

# A day for daddy

Today marks the one day each year set aside to honor the man known as "Dad". While every family has different traditions of marking this special day, the one common ingredient for all celebrations and memories of today is love. Here are a few samples of dads from our area and their plans for the day. We hope your holiday, too, is a happy one.



## Eddie Stogsdill, Westland

Westland resident Eddie Stogsdill will never forget the first Father's Day he spent with his two children: Shyela, 13, and Michael, 7.

"I had a new son, and my daughter who was 6 at the time,

baked a cake and decorated it for me," said Stogsdill, a Ford autoworker. "It was a great cake."

Stogsdill said the best part of being a father is having a fami-

ly that cares about you.

"Having a good wife and kids is what makes being a father so special to me," he said. "It's great to give love to a family who loves you."

## Glenn Silvenis, Belleville

Spending the day with his wife and three sons will make Father's Day special this year for Belleville Mayor Glenn Silvenis.

"It will be special, too, because my oldest son, Eric, will be leaving for the Navy in 11 days," Silvenis said. "I promised myself that I'd spend some time relaxing with my family on Sunday. The best gift I can have is to spend time with my family."

The part-time mayor, who is also a Realtor, finds himself extremely busy during the days leading up to Father's Day, because the community is preparing for the annual three-day Belleville Strawberry Festival.

"Of course, I'll be on Main Street during the festival, but I'll spend time with Eric, 19; Aaron, 6; and Adam, 3," Silvenis said.

## Dan Randall, Wayne

Wayne police Lt. Dan Randall has three children: Michael, 18; Jason, 12; and Jamie, 9.

Although he doesn't have a special Father's Day memory,

Randall does enjoy watching his children grow every day.

"I want to see them be responsible adults," Randall said. "The oldest would like to follow in my footsteps."

## Vernon Watson, Belleville

Vernon Watson of Martinsville Road, Belleville, has an extra reason to celebrate Father's Day this year.

Watson's 17-year-old daughter, Veronica, was crowned 1991 Strawberry Festival Queen at The Associated News-

paper-sponsored contest last Saturday.

Veronica Watson's replies to the two questions posed to her in the competition revealed the positive feelings she has for her family and, more particularly, her father.

When she replied to the question, "Who has been the most influential person in your life?" Veronica named her father.

"He's a hard worker, and he's taught me a lot," Watson said in her June 8 presentation.

"He doesn't always have a lot of quantity time to spend with me, but he makes quality time."

Summing up her feelings for her father, Veronica said, "He's just a real nice guy."

## Bill Richards, Wayne

Wayne City Clerk Bill Richards will always remember being a coach in the delivery room for his two children: Alison, 8, and Jeffrey, 4.

"My wife says those were my finest hour," Richards said. "I can honestly say that was my most exhilarating experience. I just love the kids. It's really a

wonderful experience."

Richards said raising children keeps a parent young at heart.

"It really does keep you going whether I'm helping my daughter with her piano lessons or playing baseball with my son," he said.

By Margo Dewey, Amanda Wilson, and Joan Dyer-Zinner

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confidentiality regarding all clients' accounts and that without such legal documentation no information would have been revealed regarding the banking records.

Affidavits presented to substantiate the complaint named both First of America and the Wayne-Westland Federal Credit Union. Language in the documents maintained the lending institutions had experienced \$30,000 in losses as a result of this scheme.

According to Thelma Wright, interim chief executive officer

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Susan Willett, publisher

of the Wayne-Westland Federal Credit Union, the facility lost no money whatsoever in any scheme as described in the affidavits.

"We have not lost a dime. I have no idea where the news media are getting their figures," Wright said. "When the Credit Union became suspicious and determined there might be some possible fraud early last year, we froze every account

under The Associated Newspapers and Dave Willett, and closed out the accounts.

"It upsets me that newspapers are saying we took a loss when, in fact, we haven't lost a dime."

Willett added he expects the complaint will be dismissed.

"Until then, my concern is with my family and my staff," Willett said. "I cannot strongly

enough express my gratitude to them for their confidence and their support.

"To avoid even the vaguest appearance of wrongdoing, however, I have removed myself from any involvement in the editorial department. I cannot risk any assault on the integrity of our product."

Willett had stepped down as publisher of the papers 18 months ago to pursue other business interests. His wife, Susan, was named to the post at that time.

"We will publish as usual and attempt to continue doing what we do best here — serve our advertisers and our readers," she said. "If the Wayne-Westland Federal Credit Union

has denied the loss of any funds and First of America continues to be our bank as they have been since 1976, I think that speaks loudly to this situation. It would seem strange that of the number of individuals who were charged, arraigned or interviewed by the FBI or federal court this week, the only press release distributed by the U.S. attorney's office concerned my husband."

The Associated Newspapers publishes The Belleville Enterprise, The Canton Eagle, The Inkster Ledger Star, The Romulus Roman, The Wayne Eagle and The Westland Eagle on Thursdays and the combined edition of The Eagle and Enterprise on Sundays.

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who serves as the chairman of the 10-member NTA board of directors, was not available for comment at press time.

The NTA Board of Directors includes: James Plaas, mayor of Garden City; Richard Fernandez, Garden City councilman; Ralph Shufeldt and Robert Shefferly of Canton Township; James Colleran and Willie Johnson of Inkster; Thomas Kelly and Ed Row, Wayne councilmembers; Tom Brown, Terry-Reichard Johnson of Westland.







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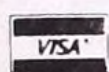
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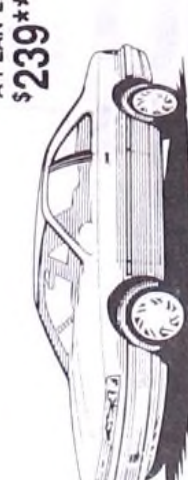
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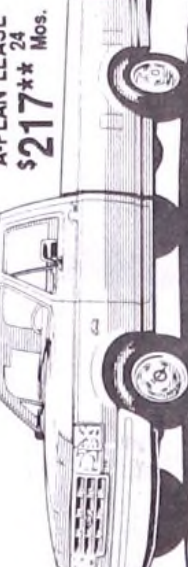
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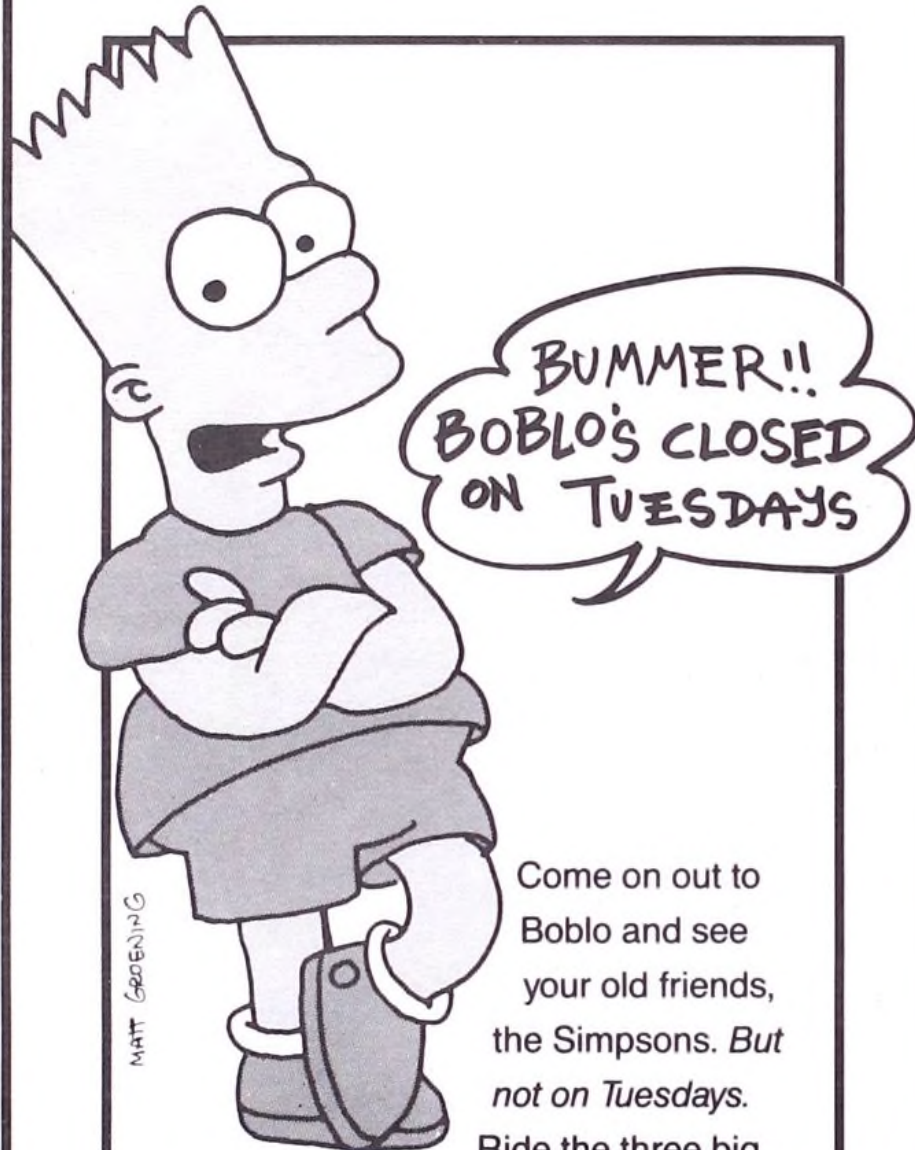
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## Getting along with 'Ivan the Terrible'

Has your once wonderful, well-behaved dog turned into Ivan the Terrible? Has that well-adjusted, enjoyable pet member of the family started to act differently, making you wonder what exactly is going on and why he has become such a pain rather than a pleasure?

I will give you the answer to the problem first. You and your environment are at fault for the dog's changed personality.

Dogs do not like change. They are creatures of habit and prefer and thrive as part of a stable routine, unaltered in any way. They are not the wild animals of the forest. They have become so domesticated by us that they think of us as part of their own personal pack and when little, unimportant changes occur, they react negatively.

Dogs have many ways of showing disapproval or insecurity about what is happening in the home. Have you and your spouse ever had occasion to argue? I'll never admit to that, but hypothetically speaking, let us imagine my wife and me having a minor disagreement. Just a change in voice tone or body language will send our two Shepherds to unknown parts of the house.

I always have to conduct a thorough question-and-answer conversation about any small differences taking place within their household. Many times the irritant is so minor, but the dog finds it to be enormous.

Many times dogs will respond in a jealous, spoiled-child-type manner when a new baby is brought into the house. The dog, once your pride and joy, becomes a bit overlooked in the

LET'S  
TALK  
DOGS

By  
Dan Morris



hustle and time-consuming job of new parenthood. What the parents must do is to continue to make the dog feel as important as he once was. The dog should not be shuttled out of the room because the baby is there. He can lay at the feet of the mother while she feeds the infant and continue as an integral part of the family.

Whenever weekend guests are present the dog may feel threatened as well. Most of our pets can tell exactly when our bedtime rolls around as well as what the nighttime routine is. When this is disturbed because of guests, the dog will become a bit confused, feel insecure and perhaps begin getting into trouble...until the guests depart, of course. Then, with his routine back to normal, he will return to his normal behavior.

Our dogs are supposed to adapt to our household and family regimen and more often than not, they do. When the puppy is brought into the home at a young age, the adapting is easier. Nevertheless, expecting your dog to adapt, adapt and continually adapt may mean you will have to have some tolerance and patience.

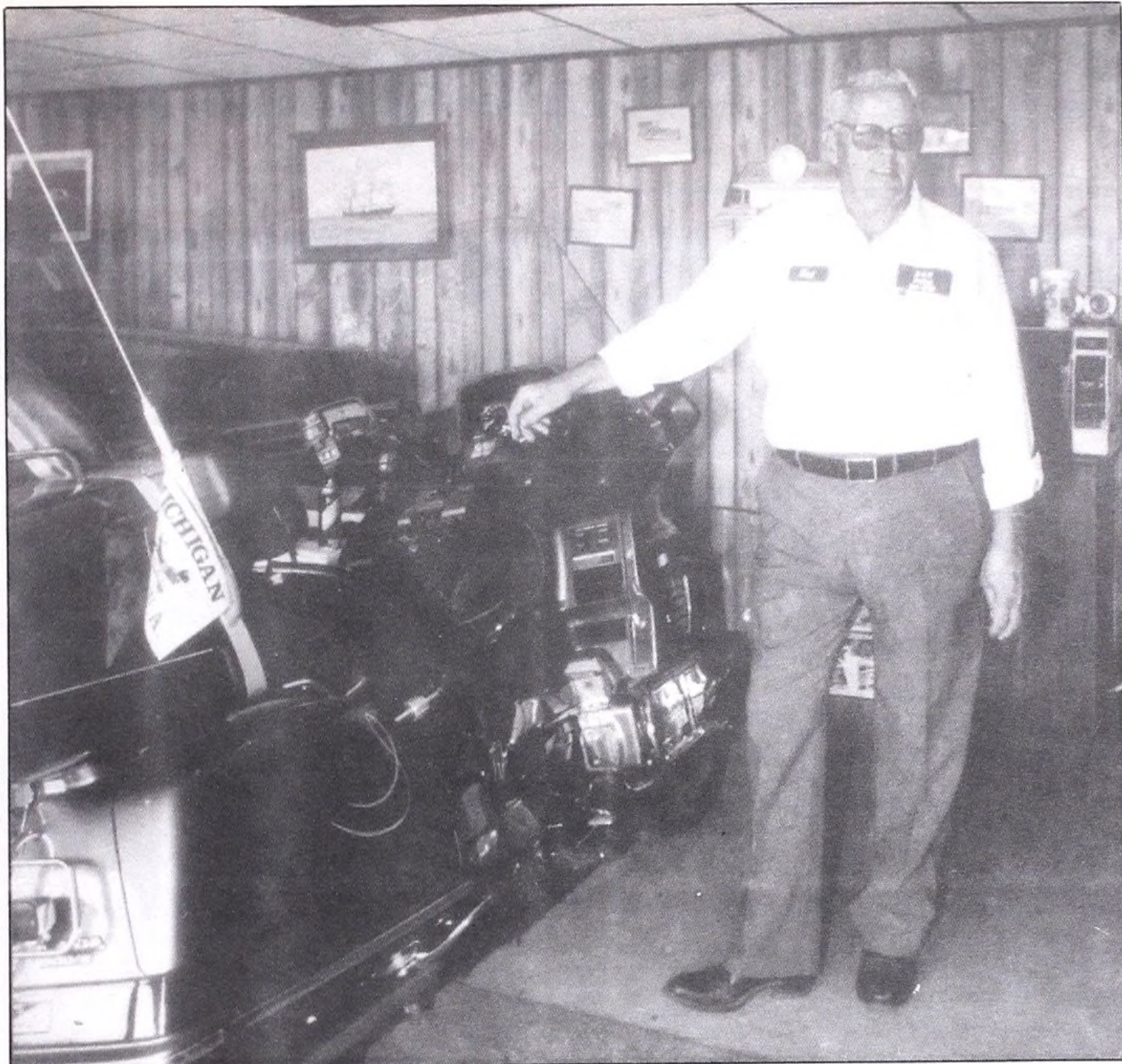
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### Adoption corner

Twinky is a 3-year-old black and white domestic cat now available at the Westland Shelter of the Michigan Humane Society. Twinky is a male and has been neutered. To see Twinky and other animals, stop by the shelter at 37253 Marquette.





## 1991 Father of the Year

### Strict disciplinarian makes time for fun, family

Growing up, Wilbur "Bud" Hassett's children knew who was boss.

They also knew who took them camping, played with them and helped with school work.

Hassett, father of five and grandfather of eight, marks Father's Day today with great pride and honor. He also celebrates the day as the 1991 Associated Newspapers Father of the Year.

Born in Indiana, Hassett moved to Westland when he was 15 years old and has lived here ever since. He married Virginia and together they raised Janie, Diane, Denise, David and Donald.

"I was a strict father," he said. "When I set a rule down they knew they better obey it."

Hassett said he spanked his children once or twice while they were growing up, but mostly he believed in "groundings".

"When I would ground them for a week, I meant a week to the hour,"

**“He has raised his children to have respect for themselves and others, to do the best they can in life, and to always remember how important their family is to them.”**

**Diane (Hassett) Browning**

he said.

It wasn't all bad, however. The Hassett family has always enjoyed good times with their father. He would help them out with projects, take them camping and always do things together.

"Growing up we spent countless times camping or traveling," said Diane (Hassett) Browning. "He taught us things like how to read a road map or water skiing. He also included us in the family business as he was getting it started."

It was this combination of

discipline and good times that won him the respect of his children.

"He has always been a very concerned parent. As children, whether at home or camping, he always wanted to know where we were and we always knew when to check in at the campsite so he knew we were safe," Browning said.

Hassett worked as an interstate truck driver when the children were young so he spent quite a bit of time away from home earning a living for his family. Now he owns Bud's Motor Sales-B&H Towing in

Westland.

His youngest son works alongside him and the grandchildren, ages 2 to 13, stop by frequently to visit "Papa".

"Papa" does not interfere too frequently in his children's families.

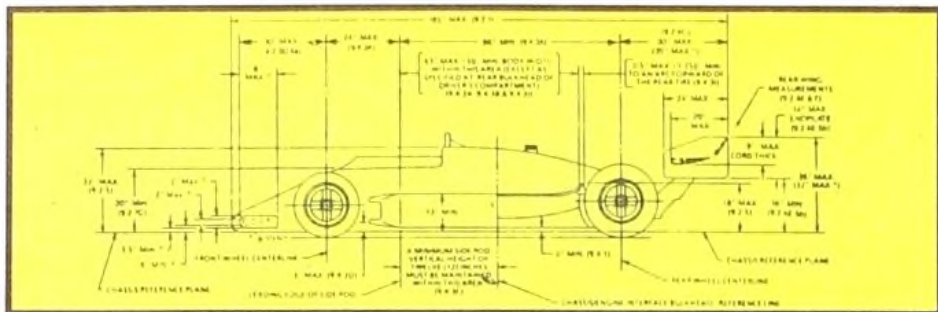
"I think they are all pretty good parents. They are strict, but still have fun with their kids," Hassett said. "You have to love your kids."

Hassett, 62, enjoys touring on his Gold Wing Motorcycle and is a member of the Michigan Gold Wing Association. "Bud's family is very important to him. He loves to have all of them around and spend time with them no matter where it might be," Browning said. "He has raised his children to have respect for themselves and others, to do the best they can in life, and to always remember how important their family is to them."

—By Barbara Wilson  
ANP Staff Writer



# Brayton: Michigan res



It's the dream of many little boys. The roar of the engines, the excitement of the race. It was the dream of Scott Brayton. "It's like a dream come true," Brayton said. "It's the thing childhood fantasies are made of. Being an Indy car driver and making money at it is a childhood dream and a lot of people would agree."

Brayton and other races will be roaring through the streets of downtown Detroit today in the annual Grand Prix event.

For Brayton, however, the location makes no difference as long as he is behind the wheel of a vehicle that goes faster than most of us can imagine.

Brayton knows what it is like as a child watching the races from the sidelines. His father drove race cars.

"It's difficult not to get caught up in the excitement with the loud noises and the neat cars," Brayton said. "When you're around it you develop an interest at an early age."

This thought is proven with the Unser and Andretti families which are also very involved in the sport.

Brayton, 32, began his racing career in 1977 behind the wheel of a formula kart. In 1978 he joined the well-known Skip Barber circuit taking five victories and placing seventh in the standings. In 1979 he won the Skip Barber championship. He began his Indy car career in 1981.

Brayton said it is difficult to explain how it feels behind the wheel of one of the powerful Indy cars. He describes it as "stiff".

"It's not the most comfortable place in the world to be. There is nothing smooth or graceful about it," he said. "It's stimulating and very aggressive."

A resident of Coldwater, MI, Brayton's name is not as well known as the Unsers or Andrettis of the racing world.

He hasn't won a single race on the 17-race CART/PPG Indy Car World Series Circuit.

"I would really just like to win once," he said. "It's very competitive out there and on the days we thought I would do really well, something happens to the car."

Th heavy competition is evidenced by the fact that there has been a different winner in nearly every race on the circuit thus far.

In 1990 he placed seventh in the Indianapolis 500 and he was 15th in point standings out of 49 drivers. The Indy drivers on the circuit win points as they participate in races based on their finishes. The points will determine the amount of money they earn.

Although the win-loss record is not so great, his earnings in Indy car racing top \$2.2 million.

"I make enough to pay the bills," Brayton said.

Racing is big business and drivers rely on sponsorship to help pay most of the bills.

Brayton races for Amway and Dick Simon Racing.

"It's a perfect vehicle for corporations," Brayton said. "The bright colors of the cars, seeing their name on the car. There's a lot of pizzazz and America's love for the automobile will go on forever."

All of this, however, does not come without a price. Brayton is on the road 10 months out of the year. His wife travels with him a great deal of the time.

"I do wake up sometimes and not know where I am," he said.

The need for sponsorship support creates an added strain as the drivers are paraded about at banquets, business meetings and such.

Brayton also sticks to a rigorous work-out schedule just like any other athlete. He also spends a lot of time driving the car.

"The best training there is is to keep driving," he said.

Racing, he added, is not dangerous for those who know what they are doing.

"Our accident record on the circuit is actually much better than on the highways because we know how dangerous the cars can be and we take precautions. In the wrong hands, the cars would most certainly be deadly."

Although Brayton is involved in working out "the kinks" in his car, members of his pit crew are ultimately responsible for mechanics of the car.

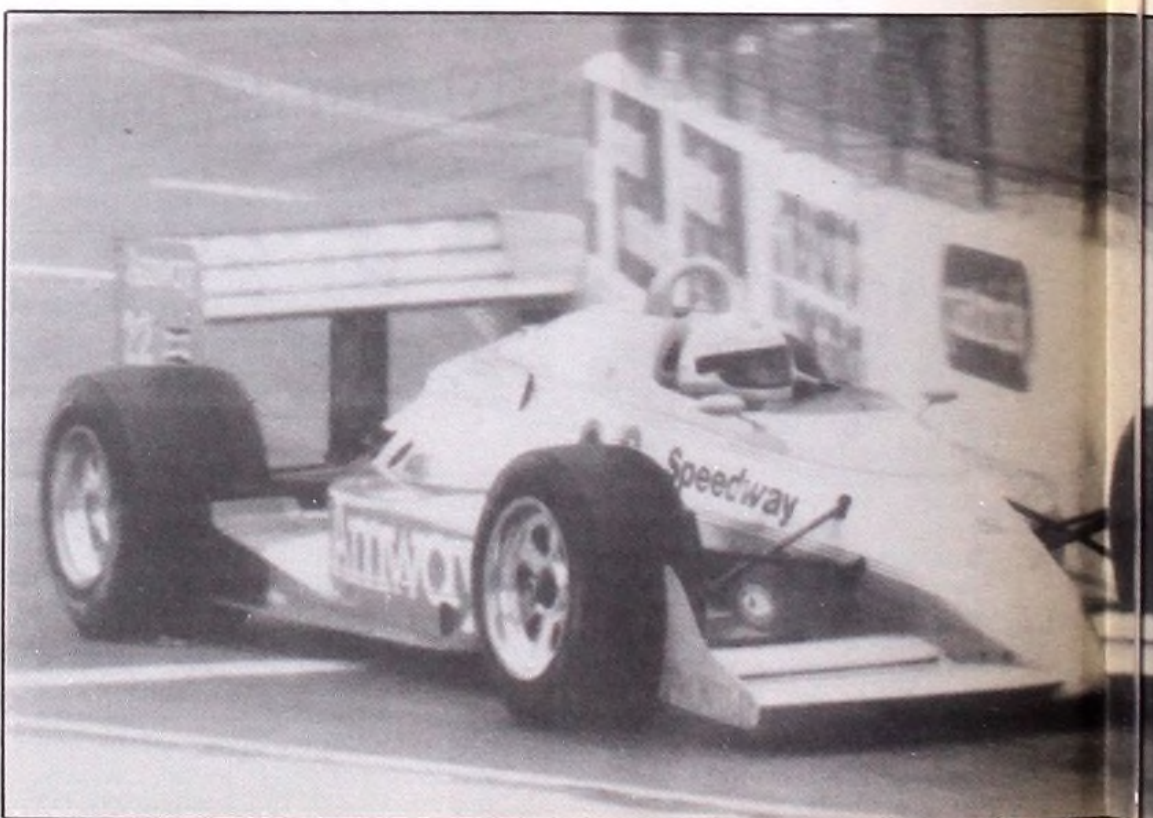
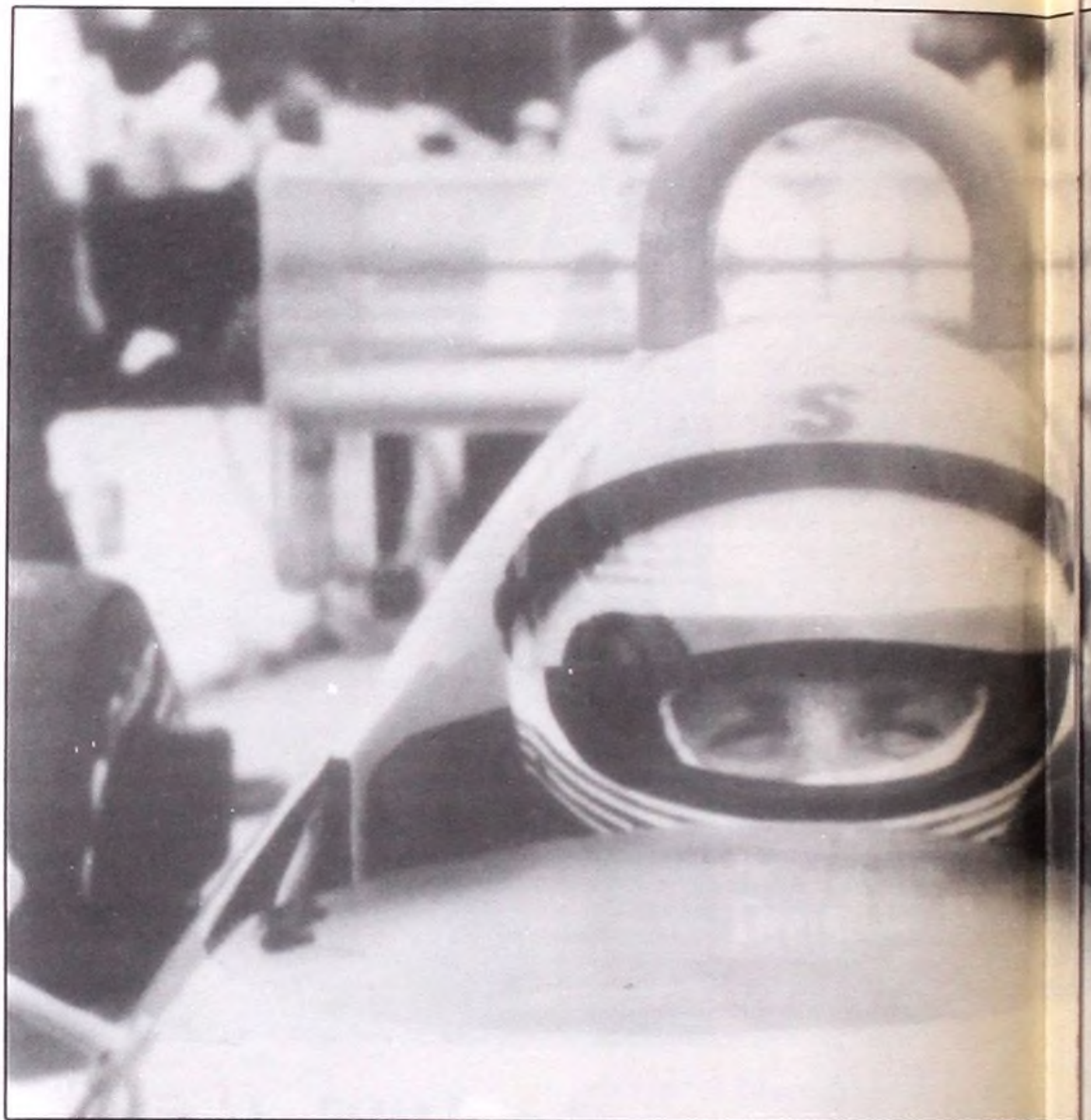
"It's really a team effort. With all the public demands on the driver it is very important that the crew be strong," he said. "I'll look the car over, but there are really only so many hours in the day."

As for the Detroit course, Brayton said it is challenging but it's difficult to compare city courses.

"Every street course is unique. This course demands a lot with many turns and not many straightaways."

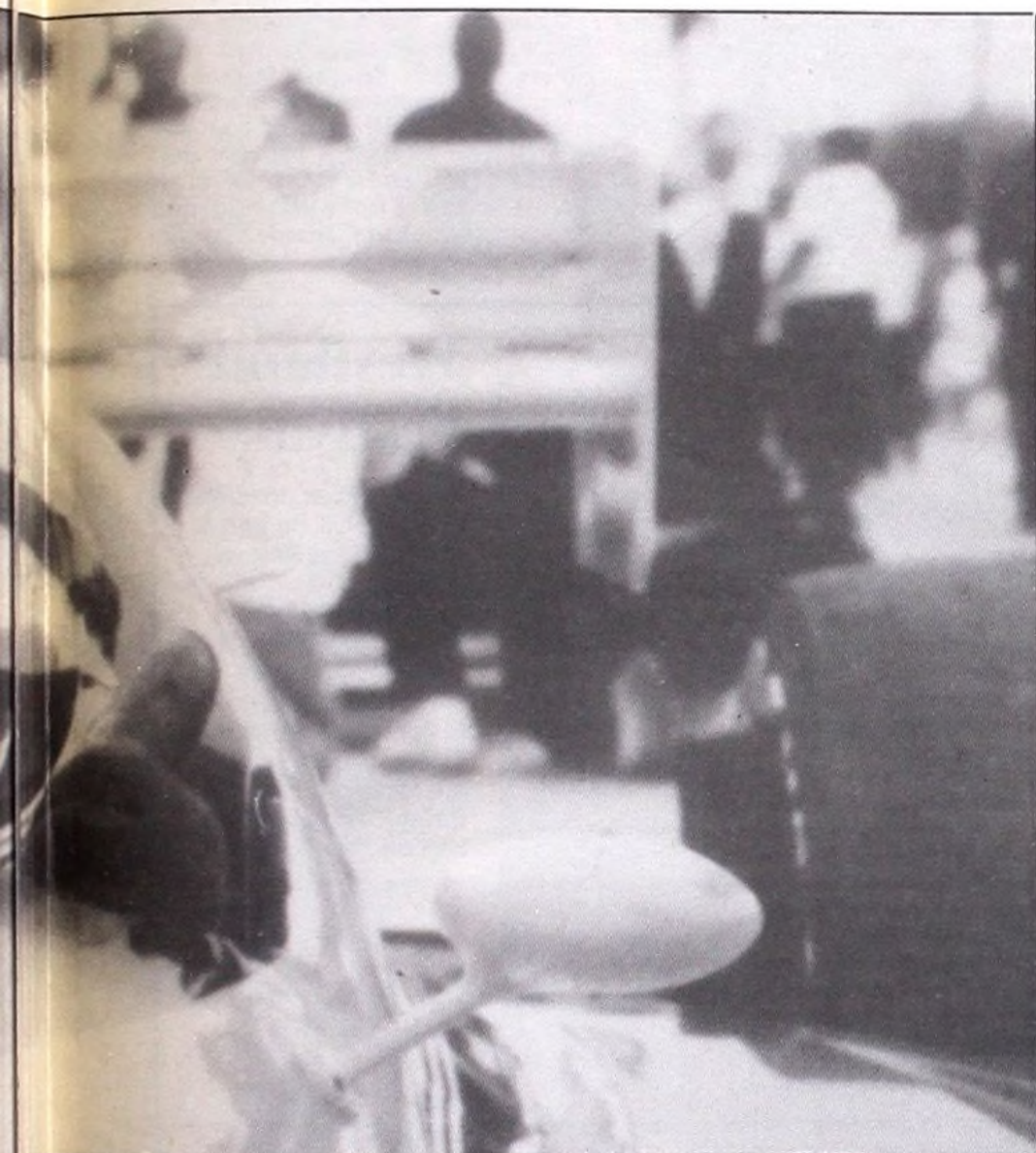
The 2.5-mile Detroit course has 17 turns as it winds along the Detroit River and around the Renaissance Center. It also features the only tunnel on the 17-race circuit.

—By Barbara Wilson  
ANP Staff Writer





# resident fulfills childhood dream



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## How they stack up

Drivers competing in the Detroit Grand Prix vary in experience and in success. The following is a list of drivers and their earnings. The number in parenthesis indicates the number of years driving.

Jeff Andretti (2)	\$16,566
John Andretti (5)	\$1,024,254
Mario Andretti (28)	\$7,914,636
Michael Andretti (9)	\$5,832,197
Jon Beekhuis (3)	\$170,184
Gary Bettenhausen (26)	\$1,614,607
Tony Bettenhausen (13)	\$1,498,558
Raul Boesel (7)	\$2,609,858
Scott Brayton (11)	\$2,265,772
Pancho Carter (18)	\$2,505,504
Eddie Cheever (3)	\$884,340
Kevin Cogan (11)	\$2,868,862
Jim Crawford (7)	\$737,546
Guido Dacco (3)	\$85,764
Derek Daly (9)	\$1,601,150
Dominic Dobson (6)	\$886,776
Teo Fabi (6)	\$2,322,804
Emerson Fittipaldi (8)	\$6,538,892
A.J. Foyt (35)	\$4,845,699
Scott Goodyear (4)	\$573,943
Michael Greenfield (2)	\$76,350
Michael Groff (2)	\$257,628
Robert Guerrero (8)	\$3,102,449
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Phil Krueger (9)	\$347,432
Randy Lewis (8)	\$1,497,374
Arie Luyendyk (8)	\$3,873,123
Hiro Matshushita (2)	\$216,160
Rick Mears (16)	\$8,268,565
John Paul Jr. (6)	\$648,858
Scott Pruett (3)	\$762,076
Bobby Rahal (10)	\$7,416,807
Willy T. Ribbs (2)	\$102,020
Johnny Rutherford (29)	\$4,209,232
Tom Sneva (19)	\$4,253,215
Danny Sullivan (9)	\$6,010,839
Didier Theys (5)	\$967,856
Al Unser (28)	\$6,129,901
Al Unser Jr. (10)	\$6,922,194
Jeff Wood (6)	\$300,792





## Balloons set sail over Battle Creek

The skies over Battle Creek will be filled with colorful hot-air balloons as the Battle Creek International Balloon Championship and Air Show sets sail June 29 through July 6.

The annual event draws thousands of spectators to W.K. Kellogg Regional Airport each summer.

In addition to the spectacular balloons, there will be fireworks, concerts and a comedy show.

Lee Greenwood and Pat Paulsen will headline the balloon festival this year.

Battle Creek is located west of Detroit, between Jackson and

Kalamazoo.

Admission is \$2 and parking is \$4.

The following is a partial schedule of events (Balloons will be launched daily):

**June 29** -- Team America military aerobatics, opening ceremonies, mass balloon launch and the U.S. Air Force Rock Band.

**June 30** -- Team America, Air Force Rock Band, Pat Paulsen, Gary Fields and Joe Dunckel.

**July 1** -- Buddy Day at the amusement park (two ride for the price of one).

**July 2** -- Free games offered by

Pizza Hut, entertainment.

**July 3** -- Wallenda Circus acts, U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds, Canadian Sky Hawks Skydivers.

**July 4** -- Old-fashioned parade, Wallenda's Circus acts, U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds, fireworks.

**July 5** -- Cloud-Cutters Kite Show, Chicago Fire Stunt Kite Flyers, Golden Knights Parachute Team, Lee Greenwood Concert.

**July 6** -- Kellogg box top day (bring box tops and receive discounts), Wallenda's Circus acts, Old-Timers Football, Golden Knights Parachute Team, Chicago Fire Stunt Kite Flyers.

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#### RUNNING OF THE BULLS

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The bulls are released from cages in nine separate locations within a nine square block area. Once released, the bulls thunder wildly through a maze of connecting streets. Participants may flee one group of on-rushing bulls only to round a corner and come face to face with a second or third group of wild-eyed bulls. Sounds of snorting bulls and shrieking people roll through the narrow, cobbled streets like thunder in a summer storm.

There are plenty of opportunities to just be a spectator. All the homeowners in the nine block area graciously allow visitors to use their housetops as vantage points for watching the melee.

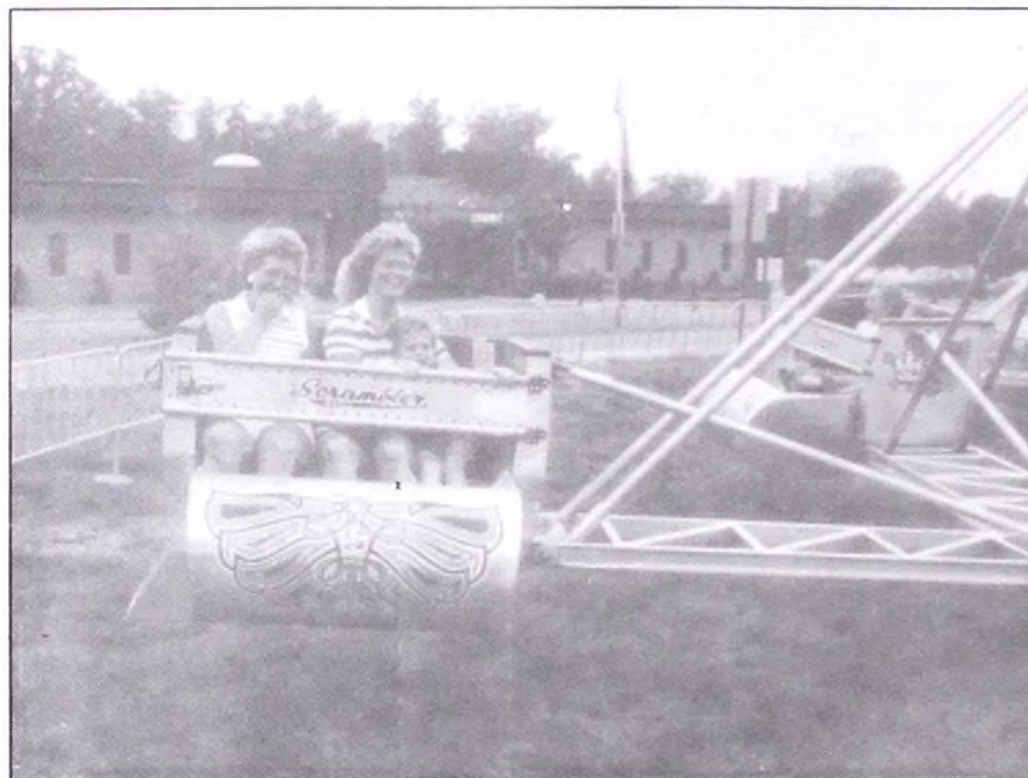
Very few Americans have attended this melee. However, Mexicana Airlines is currently building packages around this event.

By all means, take your camera. You'll have four hours of snorting screaming pandemonium to bring home some fantastic photos. If you are in Mexico in August, don't miss the running of the bulls in Huamantla.

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## Westland Festival

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## Weekends at Greenfield

A series of special exhibits and weekend activities are slated at the Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village through the end of the year.

Visitors to Greenfield Village will see the Pageant of Power display June 29 and 30 and view the Colonial Life Festival July 4, 5, 6 and 7.

The Village will host a Taste of History July 27 and 28, a Celebration of Emancipation Aug. 10 and 11 and host a Labor Day observance Sept. 2.

An Old Car Festival is slated Sept. 7 and 8, followed by Railroad Days Sept. 21 and 22 and Fall Harvest Days Oct. 4, 5, and 6. A celebration of the Bill of Rights is scheduled Nov. 2 and 3. From Nov. 29 through the end of the year, a holiday celebration is planned at Greenfield Village.

For a complete listing of events scheduled at the museum, phone 271-1620.



# Women Worth Watching



## Madeleine Schroeder

**Occupation:** Director of YWCA Child and Family Neighborhood Program for 12 years

**Home:** Born in the Upper Peninsula, has lived in Westland most of her life.

**Family:** Mother of six children.

**Age:** Over 40

**Objective:** "My pie-in-the-sky objective is to keep working until there is no more child abuse. To develop self-esteem in children."

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# Restaurant survey reveals dining diversity

A recent reader's survey of restaurant choices reveals that dining choices are diverse as the people who live in western Wayne County.

We asked readers their favorite places for seafood, pizza, steak, desserts, appetizers and all-around.

Pizza Hut received resounding support on the pizza question with outlets in Belleville, Taylor and Wayne noted specifically.

Buddy's Pizza in Livonia and Mancino's in Canton Township also received support from readers.

In the seafood category, the Great Seafood Co. in Ann Arbor won out with Red Lobster in Westland, Ann Arbor and Southgate also selected. The Orchard Grove Inn in Romulus also received some support in this category.

On the other questions, there was not clear top choice.

The following are some of our readers' choices for dining out:

**Best steak** -- Giulio & Sons in Dearborn, 1940s Club in Detroit, Ranch & Steak in Monroe, York's

Choice in Toledo, Ryan's Steak House in Westland, Red Horse Inn in Carleton and Mountain Jack's in Dearborn Heights.

**Best desserts** -- Clamdiggers in Farmington Hills, The Whitney in Detroit, Yogurt Twist in Belleville, Big Boy in Belleville, Blazo's in Westland and Baker's Square in Westland.

**Best appetizers** -- Radisson Hotel restaurant in Romulus, McBob's at Southland in Taylor, China King in Belleville, Red Lobster in Southgate, River Crab in St. Clair and ChiChi's in Dearborn.

**Best menu selection** -- Giulio & Sons in Dearborn, Weber's Inn in Ann Arbor, Mountain Jack's, Piper's in Flat Rock, Big Boy in Belleville, Reflections in Belleville and Bon Homme in Plymouth.

**Best all-around dining experience** -- Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Dearborn, Piper's in Flat Rock, Mountain Jack's in Ann Arbor, Olive Garden in Southgate, Ranch & Steak in Monroe, Weber's Inn in Ann Arbor and the Summit in Detroit.

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# Best of the West

The following questionnaire will help us to determine the best of everything and anything in western Wayne County. Your responses will be published in the Best of Western Wayne County section to be published by Associated Newspapers July 11. Please complete the questionnaire and send it to: Best of the West, Associated Newspapers, 35540 W. Michigan Ave., Wayne, MI 48184. The deadline is July 3 so cast your votes now.

1. Where can you find the coldest beer?\_\_\_\_\_
2. What restaurant serves the best cup of coffee?\_\_\_\_\_
3. Where can you find the cheapest, biggest breakfast?\_\_\_\_\_
4. What is the name of the most elegant restaurant?\_\_\_\_\_
5. Which Secretary of State office has the shortest lines?\_\_\_\_\_
6. Which post office has the quickest service?\_\_\_\_\_
7. Who serves the best coney dog?\_\_\_\_\_
8. Where can you have your car oil changed the quickest?\_\_\_\_\_
9. Which grocery store is the best?\_\_\_\_\_
10. Where can you find the freshest meat?\_\_\_\_\_
11. Who offers the best produce?\_\_\_\_\_
12. What is the most romantic spot in the county?\_\_\_\_\_
13. Where is the best place to get your car washed?\_\_\_\_\_
14. What bank offers the most convenient hours?\_\_\_\_\_
15. Where is the best playground in the area?\_\_\_\_\_

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